



The Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. section 121 between Group I, claims 4-6 and 24-26; Group II, claims 13-15 and 33-35; Group III, claims 17-19 and 37-39; and Group IV, claims 20 and 40.

Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group II, claims 13-15 and 33-35, drawn to a method of plant transformation with a DNA construct comprising and embryo/germination-specific promoter for blocking plant reproduction.

Accordingly the applicant withdraws claims 4-6, 24-26, 17-19, 37-39, 20 and 40 without prejudice to the present invention and without prejudice to the right of the applicant to pursue these claims in one or more divisional or continuing applications.

Claims 1-3, 7-12, 16, 21-23, 27-32, 36 and 41-42 are deemed to link inventions I-IV and the applicant accordingly leaves these claims to be examined.

The status of the claims is reflected in the following claim listing. This claim listing replaces all the previous claim listings.